



Notice of Race

Trophée Virginie Hériot

15th – 18th October 2026

J/70 One-design– Shared Fleet

This Notice of Race may be subject to modifications which will be communicated on the website of the Yacht Club de Monaco.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Virginie Hériot Trophy is organised by the Yacht Club de Monaco in collaboration with the Fédération Monégasque de Voile (F.M.V.) and the Fédération Française de Voile (F.F.V.).

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025/2028.
- 2.2 Any prescriptions of the National Authorities that will apply will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

3. ADVERTISING & MEDIA

- 3.1 Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.
- 3.2 The Organising Authority may require competitors to install/carry on-board electronic devices for the event's media coverage.

4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The Virginie Hériot Trophy is open to 100% female crews.
- 4.2 Registration to the Virginie Hériot Trophy is limited to the first 24 Teams. Teams shall be composed of a maximum of five (5) female crew with a minimum of four (4). The crew members may rotate with a 6th crew member, upon written request to the Organising Authority.
- 4.3 Boats will be provided by the Organising Authority and shall not be modified in any way. Teams shall only use the boats & sails provided by the organiser.
The boats could be fitted with hull protections and hull extensions.
These fittings are part of the hull regarding any racing rules.
Standing rigging shall not be modified
- 4.4 Competitors registration should be submitted to the Yacht Club de Monaco by completing the online form on the YCM website (www.ycm.org)
- 4.5 The registration will be considered valid once the Organisation Authority has received:
 - a) The signed Entry Form



- b) Each sailor National Authority license, if applicable, and each sailor's World Sailing Sailors ID.
- d) Entry fee payment
- e) Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at each on-site registration. Forms are available upon request by email at: regates@ycm.mc

4.6 All registration should be confirmed no later than 10.00am on Friday 16th of October.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fee per team is **450 euros**.

5.2 The Entry fee includes the provision of a shared boat & sails, berthing, Opening Cocktail, Crew Party and Prize Giving Ceremony for up to five persons per team.

5.3 Each team will have to make a deposit of two thousand euros (2000€) for damages that may happen to the boats provided by the Organising Authority. The deposit can be made in cash or credit card at the registration confirmation.

5.4 Under the condition of availability of the boats, teams may have the possibility to use the boats on Thursday 15th during the training times: 01.00pm-03.00pm or 03.00pm-05.00pm. Training request must be done by email to regates@ycm.org; one training session maximum can be allowed by team.

The boat assigned for training sessions may be different from the one assigned for regattas.

5.5 All fees are payable to the Yacht Club de Monaco by cash, credit/debit card, during registration confirmation or by wire transfer to the Yacht Club de Monaco.

- **Bank Transfer**

CFM - CFM Albert 1er

To: YACHT CLUB DE MONACO

Bank code: 12739 - Sort Code: 00070

Account number: 0124172000 L - Key: 37

IBAN code: MC 78 1273 9000 7001 2417 2000 L37

SWIFT code: CFMOMCM X X X X

Charges payable by sender

- **Credit card payment link**

<https://vad.ycm.mc>

Please ensure the payment reference contains: **"Virginie Hériot Trophy + TEAM NAME"**.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 The schedule is as follows:



- **Thursday**

13h00 – 17h00	Registration Confirmation
13h00 – 15h00	First training slot
15h00 – 17h00	Second training slot

- **Friday**

09h00 – 10h00	Registration confirmation
11h00	Skipper's briefing & Boats allocation
13h00	First Warning Signal
After racing	Opening Cocktail

- **Saturday**

09h30	Skipper's Briefing
11h00	First Warning Signal
After racing	Crew Party

- **Sunday**

09h30	Skipper's Briefing
11h00	First Warning Signal
15h30	Time limit for the last warning signal
After racing	Prize-giving

6.2 In the event of a modification to the intended time of the first warning signal, the new time will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 20h00 on the day before it will take effect.

6.3 On the last day no warning signal will be made after 15h00.



7. RACE FORMAT

- 7.1 Stage 1: Qualifications: For the Qualifying Stage, crews will be split in three groups.
- 7.2 Stage 2 – Final Phase: The first third ranking at the end of Stage 1 will compete in Gold Fleet, the second third will compete in Silver Fleet and the last third in Bronze Fleet.
- 7.3 The PRO, solely at his discretion, may modify, add, or eliminate any part of the format or schedule, taking into account the entries, weather conditions, time constraints and any relevant factor.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available once registration has been completed by the Race Office and will be published on the Official Notice Board.

9. VENUE

Racing will be conducted in Monaco's bay.

10. THE COURSE

The course may be a windward-leeward or any other course as decided by the Organising Authority.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 The Organising Authority may decide to apply RRS Appendix T – Arbitration and Fleet Umpiring Rules.
- 11.2 The RCV 44.1 is modified as such that the two-turns penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a result.
- 12.2 As a modification of Annexe A2 of the RCV, no score should be removed.
- 12.3 Depending on the number of entrants, the race may take place in groups with finals.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Support/Coach boats such as ribs should contact the Organising Authority one week in advance to find out if a berth is available.
- 13.2 Support/Coach boats must register during confirmation of registration. Contact details and insurance information will be required.
- 13.3 The registration fee for a support/Coach boat will be €100, this will include the mooring from Thursday afternoon to Sunday upon completion of the race.
- 13.4 Support/Coach boats shall display a coach flag supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 13.5 Support/Coach boat agrees to be available to offer assistance or rescue to any boat or crew in trouble as may be requested by the Race Committee or any other official vessel at any time.



14. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned berths while they are in the YCM Marina between the Thursday 12.00pm to Sunday 6.00pm.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out except with and according to the written terms agreed at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency or as provided in 3.2, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17. EQUIPMENT

Each crew shall bring a working portable V.H.F per team, and a Personal Flotation Device. Those items will not be provided by the OA.

18. PRIZES

At the end of the event, prizes will be given to the first 3 boats.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta Virginie Hériot Trophy entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20. INSURANCE

It is the responsibility of each competitor to hold a personal liability insurance. This may be covered by their Federal Licence.

21. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

21.1 For information regarding the racing and technical aspects, please contact regates@ycm.org

21.2 If you need assistance or to take advantage of our accommodation list for your stay in Monaco, please contact hotels@ycm.org

21.3 For information regarding sponsorship or media please contact presse@ycm.org

21.4 For information regarding Monaco please visit www.visitmonaco.com